

## EXHIBIT 477

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**To:** Jill Strang  
**Sent:** 1/20/2017 2:16:53 PM  
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From: Jason Briscoe  
Sent: Friday, January 20, 2017 8:59 AM  
To: Lisa Kreiner  
Subject: FW: DEA fines Costco \$11.75M over lax US pharmacy controls  
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I have 83 and 85 done in December, just need to clean up the Report and give to you.  
Please do not include me on the "naughty list".

The date is 12/20/16.

JB

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**To:** Chris Peshek; Jason Briscoe; Jason West; Katie Holstein; Michele Golob  
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Chris,

I think we need to reemphasize our controlled substance program at the upcoming pharmacist meeting. Also, we need to look at developing reporting to help us effectively identify outliers and/or suspicious store ordering.

Supervisors---make sure you are conducting at a minimum (1) annual pharmacy inspection of your assigned stores. And, focus on this area specifically. It's important we are effectively proactive with a risk management program which this would be applicable here and even HIPAA provided we are inspecting. You are responsible to follow up with any corrective action. Pharmacy Inspections forms should be forwarded to Lisa when completed and are found on the intranet.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/us-costco-wholesale-settlement-idUSKBN1532TK>

Incidentally, this is Costco's second DEA fine in excess of \$5M in the past 10 years.

LISA----please forward me a store list with their last inspection date by supervisor and highlight exceptions (no inspection in the past 12 months).

Thank you.

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